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In re Application of
Daniel P. Little, et al.
Serial No. 08/786,988
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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR
PREPARING AND ANALYZING LOW
VOLUME ANALYTE ARRAY ELEMENTS:

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a reply to the Information Disclosure Statements, which are being treated as Petitions under 37 CFR § 1.97 filed December 9, 1999, March 6, 2000 and May 30, 2000. Petitioners request consideration of information disclosure statements filed after a final rejection has been mailed.

37 CFR § 1.97(d) is specific in its requirements for consideration of information disclosure statements filed after a final rejection has been mailed. 37 CFR § 1.97(d) indicates that such information disclosure statements will be considered, "provided the statement is accompanied by:

- (i) a certification as specified in 37 CFR § 1.97(e),
- (ii) a petition requesting consideration of the information disclosure statement, and
- (iii) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(i)(1)."

A review of the record reveals that petitioner has not complied with all conditions in § 1.97. The petition is denied. The information disclosure statements are being placed in the file, but will not be considered as to their merits. See M.P.E.P. § 609.

PETITION DENIED

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